

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant has by the instant amendment added new dependent claim 20. Dependent claim 20 sets forth means for wall mounting the mirror. Support for the new claim 20 can be found on Page 4, lines 13-22 of the originally filed English language text.

It is submitted that claims 1-20 are patentable over the Pastore reference in view of Griencewic under 35 USC 103. The Examiner's combination of references amounts to nothing more than a hindsight reconstruction based on the instant disclosure. Such a hindsight reconstruction has consistently been deemed improper by the courts.

Applicant files concurrently herewith a petition to suspend action so as to allow the undersigned to conduct a personal interview with the examiner in charge of this application.

An earnest and thorough attempt has been made by the undersigned to resolve the outstanding issues in this case and place same in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or feels that a telephone or personal interview would be helpful in resolving any outstanding issues which remain in this application after consideration of this amendment, the Examiner is courteously invited to telephone the undersigned and the same would be gratefully appreciated.

If any fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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